

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF
RIGASSI-DIETRICH ET AL.

Art Unit: 1614
Michael Hartley

APPLICATION NO: 10/590,398

FILED: AUGUST 23, 2006

FOR: GALENIC FORMULATIONS OF ORGANIC COMPOUNDS

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of September 29, 2009 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on October 29, 2009. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$1050 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

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